

National Institute Of Occupational Safety And Health (NIOSH) Partnered Development Of Cryogenic Life Support Technologies Project

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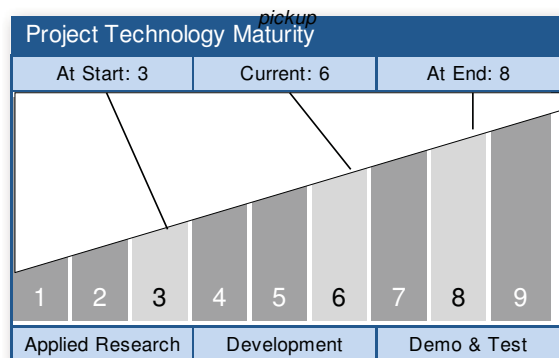
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ABSTRACT

Partnering with National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) to develop several cryogenically based life support technologies to be used in mine escape and rescue scenarios. Technologies developed for mine rescue directly benefit future NASA rescue and ground operation missions.

2hr liquid air pack with quick fill and attitude independent



Technology Area: Ground & Launch Systems Processing TA13
(Primary)
Human Health, Life Support & Habitation Systems
TA06 (Secondary)

ANTICIPATED BENEFITS

To NASA funded missions:

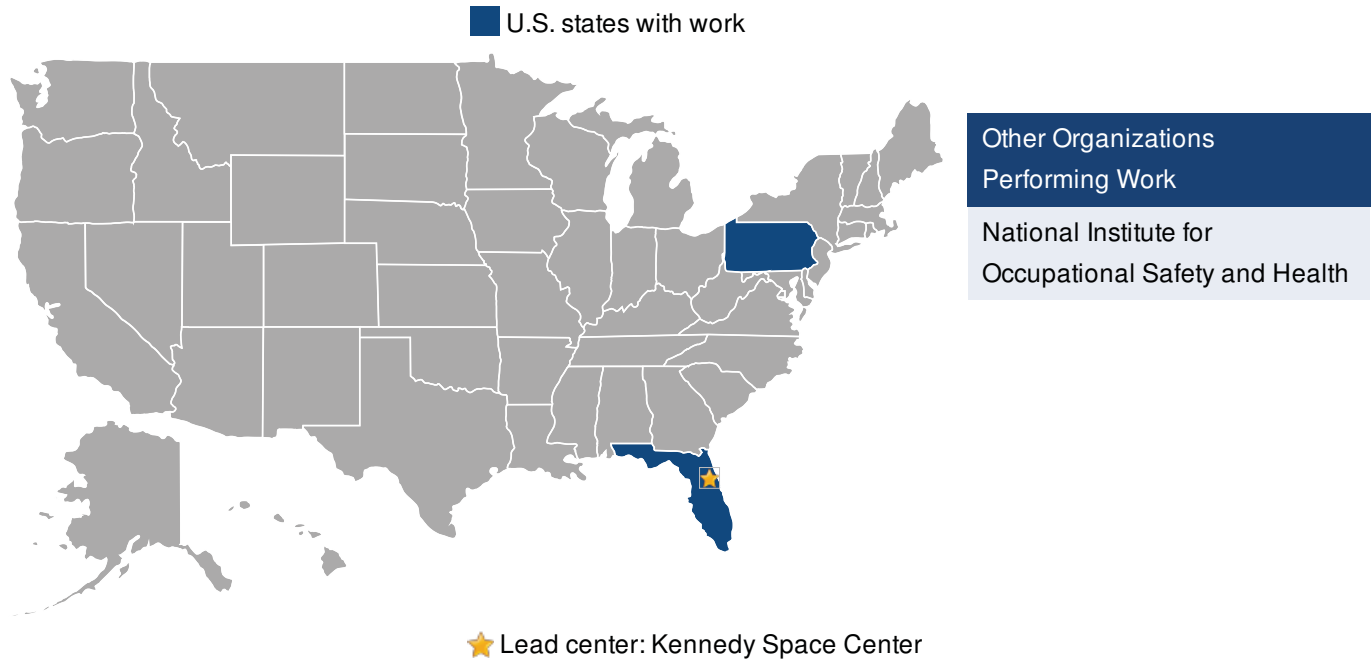
Improved Ground Operations safety. Reduced cost of operation due to indefinite storage technology. Next generation crew rescue packs.

To other government agencies:

This project benefits CDC/NIOSH/OMSHR directly. Potential benefits to DOD, DOE.

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Contributing
Partners

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

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MANAGEMENT

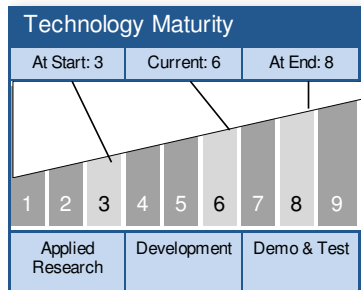
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TECHNOLOGY DETAILS

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This technology is categorized as a hardware system for wearable applications

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CAPABILITIES PROVIDED

Attitude independent liquid air applications, extended duration liquid air SCBA, indefinite liquid air storage, quick fill/breath while filling technology for liquid air SCBA.

Potential applications include life support equipment for Fire/Rescue, Space, Military, Hazmat, & Nuclear Energy sectors.

IMAGE GALLERY



Cryogenic Air Storage and Fill Station



Cryogenic Breathing Apparatus

ANTICIPATED BENEFITS

To the commercial space industry: (CONT'D)

It is hoped that the technology developed under this program will be picked up by the commercial sector and eventually marketed to the space industry for use in space craft servicing and crew rescue. It is already being looked at to reduce costs for KSC liquid air storage and distribution.

To the nation:

If commercialized, there is a huge potential benefit to the Fire/Rescue community.

